(ख) और (ग) प्रश्न नहीं उठते ।

(घ) सी. एम. डी., एन. टी. सी. (म.प्र.) के पद को पहले से ही विज्ञापित कर दिया गया है तथा इस पद को शीघ्र भरने के लिए कार्रवाई की जा रही है ।

Financial irregularities and corruption in Syndicate Bank

*411. SHRI M. A. BABY : Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to a report that appeared in the 'Free Press Journal', Bombay on the 25th June, 1990 regarding financial irregularities and corruption in Syndicate Bank; and

(b) if so, what are the details in this regard and what action has been taken in the matter ?

THE FINANCE MINISTER (PROF. MADHU DANDAVATE) : (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. The article referred to alleged employment of Chairman & Managing Director's daughters in a firm assisted by the bank, discrimination in inquiries against bank executives and hiring of premises for the bank. This is being looked into.

Floating Hotel Project around Bombay

*412. SHRI SUBRAMANIAN SWAMY : Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Department of Tourism has received any application from Maharashtra Government for a floating hotel project around Bombay; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof and what action has been taken thereon ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TOURISM (SHRI SATYA PAL MALIK) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

सूती धागे के मूल्य में असाधारण वृद्धि

*413. **सरदार जगजीत सिंह अरोड़ा :**
श्री राम जेठमलानी :

क्या वस्त्र मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि मार्च 89 से मई 90 तक की अवधि के दौरान सूती धागे के मूल्यों में 14 प्रतिशत की वृद्धि हुई है;

(ख) क्या यह भी सच है कि इस अवधि के दौरान सूती धागे से बने कपड़ों के मूल्य में वृद्धि की प्रतिशतता इससे कहीं अधिक है;

(ग) यदि हां, तो उक्त अवधि के दौरान हथकरघों, विद्युत-चालित करघों द्वारा और मिल क्षेत्र द्वारा निर्मित सूती कपड़े के मूल्यों में कितनी वृद्धि हुई; और

(घ) क्या सरकार ने विभिन्न क्षेत्रों द्वारा निर्मित कपड़े के मूल्यों में हुई वृद्धि को रोकने के लिए कोई कदम उठाये हैं; यदि हां, तो उनका ब्यौरा क्या है ?

वस्त्र मंत्री, साथ में खाद्य प्रसंस्करण उद्योग मंत्रालय का अतिरिक्त प्रभार (श्री शरद यादव) : (क) जबकि इस अवधि के दौरान हैंक यार्न की भारित औसत कीमत में लगभग 14 प्रतिशत की वृद्धि हुई फिर भी कॉन यार्न भारित औसत कीमत में वृद्धि लगभग 8 प्रतिशत थी ।

(ख) और (ग) मार्च, 1989 से मई, 1990 तक की अवधि के दौरान थोक बिक्री कीमत सूचकांक में मिल निर्मित सूती कपड़े में लगभग 14 प्रतिशत, विद्युत करघा के लिए लगभग 25 प्रतिशत तथा हथकरघा सूती कपड़े के लिए लगभग 29 प्रतिशत थी । इसका आधार थोक बिक्री कीमत सूचकांक में शामिल सीमित आंकड़े हैं ।

(घ) जबकि कपड़े की कीमतों पर अपि-चारिक नियंत्रण न तो व्यावहारिक है और न ही वांछनीय है फिर भी कपड़े की कीमतों में वृद्धि को रोकने के लिए उठाए गए कदमों में शामिल हैं, यानी कीमतों से संबंधित उपाय, शुल्कों का ढांचा, जनता कपड़े पर उपदान में वृद्धि, कच्ची रुई की कीमतों को मानीटरी तथा सस्ते कपड़े के उत्पादन को प्रोत्साहन ।

Issue of Duty Exemption Entitlement Certificates to Small Scale Units

*414. SHRI ASHOK NATH VERMA : Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state :

(a) what are the norms laid down by Government for issuing of Duty Exemption Entitlement Certificates (DEEC) to new small scale units for import of machinery, components, raw-materials etc. and maximum financial ceiling consignment-wise, quarterly/annually;

(b) whether such units are allowed to sell some percentage of finished products in domestic market; if so, on what terms and conditions; and

(c) the names of the authorities who are issuing Duty Exemption Entitlement Certificates to small sector ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI ARANGIL SHREEDHARAN) : (a) Duty Exemption Entitlement Certificates are issued to advance licence holders. These certificates contain the list of raw materials, components, consumables, packing materials, mandatory spares etc. alongwith resultant export products. Neither any distinction is made between the SSI or large scale units nor any financial ceilings are imposed for the issue of DEEC. The details of the policy and procedures relating to the norms for issuing the DEEC are contained in Chapter XIX of Import-Export Policy and Hand Book of Procedures 1990—93.

(b) No. Sir.

(c) All licensing authorities are competent to grant Duty Exemption Entitlement Certificates as per their respective regional jurisdiction.

A list of these authorities is given in Appendix II-B of the current Hand Book of Procedures.

Central Legislation of Ground Water Development

415. SHRI SURESH PACHOURI : Will the Minister of Water RESOURCES be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government propose to introduce a central legislation on ground water development; and

(b) if so, what are the details in this regard ?

THE MINISTER OF TEXTILES WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI SHARAD YADAV) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Setting up of a Free Trade Zone in Goa

*416. SHRI JOHN F. FERNANDES : Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have received any proposal from Goa Government to establish a Free Trade Zone in Goa;

(b) if so, at what stage the proposal is pending;

(c) what are the conditions and pre-requisities to sanction and establish a Free Trade Zone;

(d) whether Government also contemplate to start duty Free Ports in the country on the pattern of Hong Kong and Dubai; and

(e) if so, what are the details in this regard ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI ARANGIL SHREEDHARAN) : (a) and (b) The Government of Goa sent a proposal on 16-6-90 to create an export trade island where industries would be set up with exports as their first priority. In reply, the Government of Goa was informed that the Government of India would duly consider and accord appro-